

## **CUSTOMS & QUARANTINE AGENCY, GUAM**

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## Assistant Chief Joins 23 Others as Patriotic Employer

BARRIGADA, GUAM -Colonel Philip Taijeron, Jr., the Assistant Chief of the Special Enforcement Division at the Customs and Quarantine Agency and the 7<sup>th</sup> Command Chief for the Guam Air National Guard was presented with the Office of the Secretary of Defense's **Employer** Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESRG) Certificate of Recognition as a Patriotic Employer.



Colonel Taijeron joins twenty-three (23) others who also received the Patriotic Employer designation while with the Customs and Quarantine Agency. Since 2007, employees of the Agency have received the Patriotic Employer designation forty-two (42) times, some up to five (5) times each.

Quoting other Air Force leaders, Colonel Taijeron states, "our attitude determines our altitude."

57% of the Agency's uniformed officers are veterans.

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